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EAST TIMOR FIFTEEN YEARS ON A ONE-DAY SYMPOSIUM

8 December 1990, St Antony's College, Oxford

PROGRAMME

A round-table format is envisaged, with selected speakers leading off discussion with 30-40 minute presentations. A wide range of discussants concerned with the East Timor issue have been invited, including scholars and journalists, representatives of human rights, aid and development organisations, Timorese exiles, and representatives of the UK, Indonesian, Portuguese, Australian and New Zealand governments.

The programme is as follows:

9.30 am Registration and coffee

First Session 10 am - 12 noon

Introduction and welcome - Peter Carey (Asian Studies Centre and Trinity College, Oxford)

Fifteen Years of Indonesian Occupation: A Balance Sheet
(historical background, decolonisation/annexation/integration, Indonesia's regional ambitions, assimilation and revolt, population displacement and the issues of minorities and language).

Speakers: Professor Nancy Lutz (Department of Anthropology, University of Oregon), 'The Recalcitrant Periphery: Indonesian State Views of East Timor'.

John Taylor will speak to his book, The Indonesian Occupation of East Timor, 1974-1989, A Chronology

Commentator: Peter Carey

Discussion

12.15 pm Lunch

Second Session 1.30 - 4 pm

East Timor Today
(current conditions in East Timor, the prospects for development, the involvement of non-governmental and church organisations, reports from exiled Timorese)

Chair: Sue Roff (Minority Rights Group, New York)

Speakers: Jill Jolliffe (writer and specialist on East Timor)

Paulino Gama and Donaciano Gomes (Timorese exiles currently in Lisbon)

Shirley Shackleton (writer and commentator on East Timor)

Commentator: The Right Reverend Paul Moore (Bishop of New York - retd)

Comments by representatives of non-governmental organisations and recent visitors to East Timor

Discussion

4 pm Tea

Third session 4.30 - 6 pm

The Political Prospects For East Timor
(the possibilities for self-determination, quasi-sovereignty or quasi-autonomy, international legal perspectives, implications of current changes in the regional and world order)

Chair: Claire Palley (Principal, St Anne's College, Oxford)

Speakers: The Rt Hon Ann Clwyd, MP (Labour Shadow Minister for Overseas Development)

Roger Clarke (Distinguished Professor of Law, Rutgers University)

Graca Andresen-Guimaraes (First Secretary, Portuguese Embassy)

Round table discussion.

Dinner 7 pm

De: Paulino Gama
Para: Dr. Luiz Gustavo Barbosa
CDPM Lisboa —

List of participants

Speakers, commentators and discussants

Peter Carey (Asian Studies Centre, University of Oxford)
Professor Nancy Lutz (University of Oregon)
John Taylor (South Bank Polytechnic)
Sue Roff (Minority Rights Group, New York)
Jill Jolliffe (Reuters, Lisbon)
Paulino Gama) Timorese refugees
Donaciano Gomes) currently based in Lisbon
Shirley Shackleton (Melbourne)
The Rt Reverend Paul Moore (New York)
Claire Palley (Principal, St Anne's College, Oxford)
The Rt Hon Ann Clwyd, MP, (Labour Shadow Minister for Overseas Development)
Roger Clarke (Distinguished Professor of Law, Rutgers University)
Graca Andresen-Guimaraes (First Secretary at the Portuguese Embassy)

Participants

Robert Barnes (Asian Studies Centre)
Robert Archer (Catholic Institute for International Relations)
George Monbiot (author)
Nicholas Van Hear (Refugee Studies Programme)
Janet Leatherby (RSP)
Gervaise Clarence-Smith (SOAS)
Michael Hitchcock)
Tim Huxley)
James Langdon) Department of SE Asian
Tim Kell) Studies, University of Hull
Michael Harris (Anti-Slavery Society)
Carmel Budiardjo (Tapol)
Steve Alston (Cafod)
Anthony Milton (University of Cambridge)
C W Watson (University of Canterbury)
Margaret O'Grady (Christian Aid)
Rev Akuila D Yabaki (Methodist Church Overseas Divn)
Arnold Kohen (Washington)
Professor Thomas Stapleton
David Colvin (Head, South East Asia Department, Foreign and Commonwealth Office)
Estavao Cabral (Timorese exile)
Paul Barbara (Tapol)
Leslie Palmier (ASC)
James Putzel (St Antony's)
A representative from Oxfam
A representative of Comite Indonesia, The Netherlands
A representative of the Portuguese Parliamentary Commission on East Timor